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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: RING INTERCONNECTION NETWORK SYSTEM, NODE EQUIPMENT, NETWORK MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT, AND PATH SETTING METHOD

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 98 pages, including 7 independent claims and 37 claims total.
2. Drawings- 60 sheets of formal drawings containing 64 figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Kabushiki Kaisha Toshiba.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2000-361831, filed November 28, 2000.
6. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2000-387402, filed December 20, 2000.
7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2000-361831, filed November 28, 2000, and Japanese Application No. 2000-387402, filed December 20, 2000.

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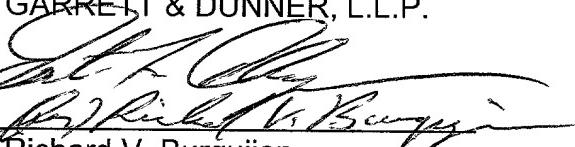
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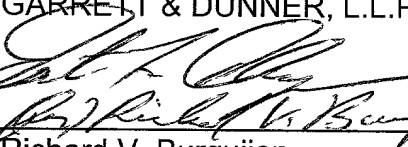
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